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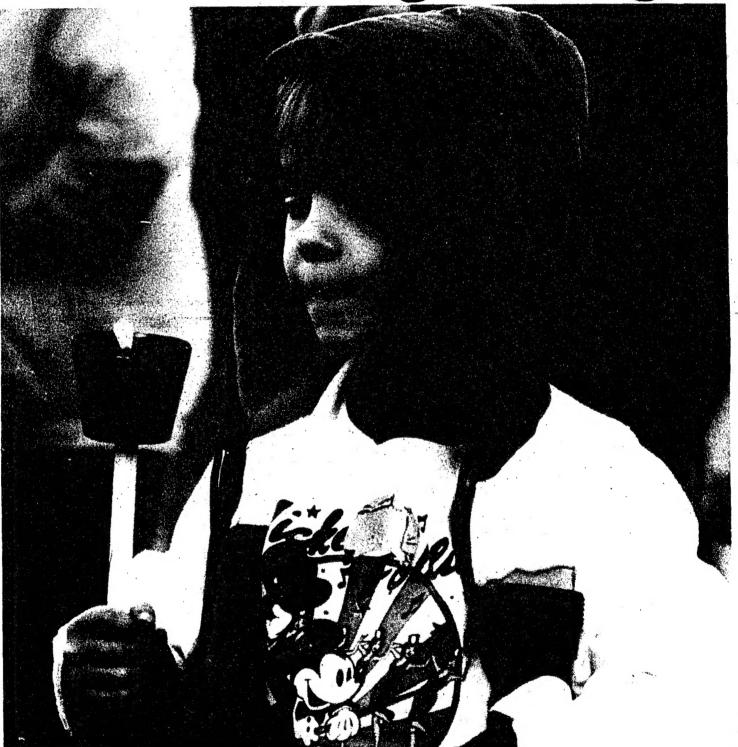
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Older students are increasing enrollment

BY ANN LOUISE JESSEN

What do senior citizens, midcareer adults and graduate students have in common?

They are contributing to the trend of increasing enrollment at public universities across

A surge of college-bound older Americans are offsetting — and even surpassing — the number of traditional, 18- to 22-year-old college students, according to a 1989 Washington Post article.

The Post reported a steady decrease in traditional students.

Non-traditional students also contributed to this semester's record-breaking enrollment figures at UNO, totalling 16,661. But these figures are not a problem for Lew Connor, UNO's registrar.

"A few more students like this obviously creates more work for us in our office," Connor said. "But at this point we're still handling it."

He said the only change in registration procedures involves the addition of a few

computer terminals "to try and get some people through a little quicker."

UNO's College of Arts and Sciences led the university's enrollment by college, with 3,743 students. The College of Business Administration was second with 3,643.

According to the *Post* article, the influx of older students also has changed the atmosphere of campuses across the country.

"The idea of going away to school for four years is fading," Carol Aslanian told the Post. Aslanian is the director of the College Board's Adult Learning Services, which advises colleges about adult recruitment.

"Colleges are missing the boat if they think that admissions means running to the high schools for 18-year-olds. Not today," Aslanian said, "The majority of the population is veering away from the residential campus. It's not a fad that will go away."

The trend may be attributed to fast-paced technology and demands for continuous training. Mostemployers want knowledgeable, upto-date workers; and many companies willingly foot the bill for college tuition.

However, some non-traditional students may be returning to school to fulfill their dreams, according to the Post. The article suggested that in many cases, older students can afford to attend college because their children are no longer living at home and they have fewer expenses.

On a national scale, graduate students also account for the increase in enrollment. Many return to earn professional degrees which may translate into greater corporate mobility and an increased starting salary.

At UNO, increased enrollment also has come to mean a potential increase in the faculty and/or staff.

The UNO math and computer science department reported the addition of six new fulltime instructors.

The English department also has added new teachers, but due to a lack of funds, the teachers are part-time instructors hired on a semester-by-semester basis, according to Joan Bell, a UNO English instructor.

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UNO and local information

Aviation conference

scheduled for November

The UNO Aviation Institute and College of Continuing Studies will hold its first annual 'Aviation 2000" conference Nov. 14 at UNO's Peter Kiewit Conference Center.

The conference will examine current trends in aviation and explore changes the coming century may bring to the industry.

"The conference will discuss various aspects of aviation including airports, aircraft, general aviation, the airlines and aviation education," said Bill Shea, director of UNO's Aviation Institute.

Guest speaker at the conference luncheon will include A. Scott Crossfield, former X-15 rocket test pilot and technical consultant to the U.S. House of Representatives' Committee on Science, Space and Technology.

Other speakers will include Don Smithey, Executive Director of the Omaha Airport Authority and Bill Hamilton, Chairman of the Nebraska Airline Authority. Speakers from the FAA's national conference in Washington and regional offices also will participate.

Search Committee meets Friday in Lincoln, our capital

The University of Nebraska Presidential Advisory Search Committee will meet Friday in Lincoln.

The meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m at Varner Hall. The purpose of the meeting, which is closed to the public and the media, is toreview and evaluate applicants and nominees of the office of President of the University of Nebraska.

'Operation Wahoo Cookie'

The community of Wahoo, Neb. is taking offensive measures to support U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. They're planning a cookie-baking bash that will net from 100 to 200 pounds of sugar cookies that will be sent to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

Jana Davison, wife of a Nebraska Army National Guard member, along with other Guard wives and community members, will bake the cookies Sept. 29 at the Wahoo Ar-

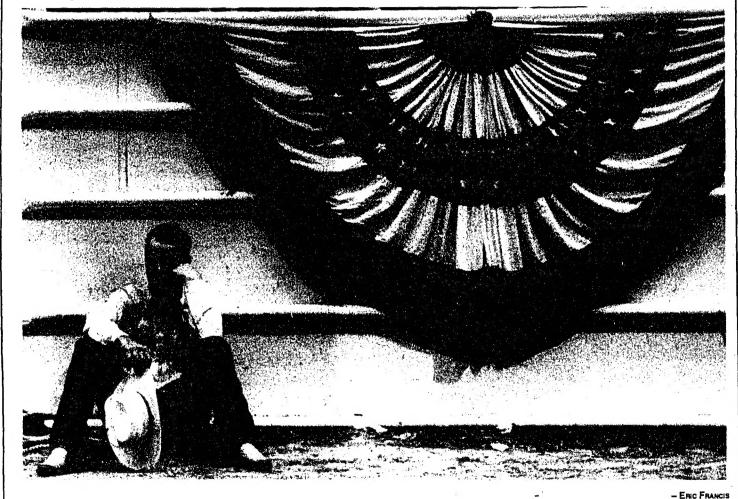
Davison, coordinator of "Operation Wahoo Cookie," mobilized the help of friends and community members, including local schools and businesses.

"it's something I had to do," Davison said. "The troops need to know somebody cares, whether it's from a little town in the middle of the United States or a big city."

Davison said she's always made cookies to send with her husband and members of his Guard unit, when they journey out of state for two weeks of annual training.

"It's kind of a joke that I make cookies for the guys, but it's not going to be a joke anymore," she said.

Davison said she is looking for volunteers, including baby sitters and bakers, along with donations to help with the operation.



After five days of bucking bulls, broncos and steer, wrestling cowboys showed the signs of a long weekend at the River City Roundup.

Fall of communism to be taught at UNO

By ELIZABETH MEYER

Fordecades, people in Czechoslovakia lived restricted lives of fear and isolation.

Suddenly, last December, that lifestyle changed. Individual freedom and democracy were no longer unattainable dreams for those behind the iron curtain.

This dramatic turn of events, which culminated in the overthrow of the Czechoslovak communist government, is covered in a new one-credit course at UNO.

The course, "The Historical Background and Contemporary Problems of Post-Totalitarian Society," is taught by Luda Klusakova, a visiting professor from Charles University in Prague, Czechoslovakia. The "End of Communism" class will meet for four seminars in September and October.

Klusakova said the course will emphasize the events and conditions which led to the fall of communism in Central Europe in 1989.

"The (old) system was deteriorating," Klusakova said.

Although that old system has been replaced, Czechs face several new challenges, Klusakova said.

Prices within the country have skyrocketed on everything from groceries to housing, she said. Czechoslovakia's primary currency, the crown, remains worthless outside Czechoslovakia, preventing many with the new-found freedom to travel from doing so, she added.

Despite the problems and confusion Czechs face, Klusakova said she feels in the long run these democratic changes were necessary and destined to occur.

"We are a happy generation," she said. "It's

great to live in a world which is not developing in terms of confrontations."

But besides giving Czechs an opportunity to live in a democratic society, the changes in Central Europe also gave UNO students an opportunity to learn about history from those who made it.

Bruce Garver, a UNO history professor, contacted the history department at Charles University, UNO's sister university, with the proposal of bringing a Czechoslovak teacher to UNO conduct a course on "The End of Communism."

Garver said he wanted to give UNO students an opportunity to learn about the changes in Czechoslovakia from a native Czech.

Collegians try to continue Earth Day spirit

The largest student environmental conference ever is promised for Oct. 5-7 at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. More than 3,000 collegians from around the country are expected to attend.

The aim of the conference is not only to discuss environmental issues, but perhaps more importantly, to keep campus interest in the issue alive, according to organizers.

"Outside of the student world, a lot of people saw Earth Day as big hype," said Will Toor, co-chairman of CATALYST, the group organizing the conference.

Marcia Carter, an environmental movement organizer at Texas Southern University, said converting student interest in the cause into progress is "a never-ending job."

Her efforts, however, have apparently paid off. Texas Southern has produced one of the most notable recycling programs in the movement, according to environmental ex-

"It was hard (to get started)," said Carter. "A lot of students were ignorant of the different things we (humans) do to the environment."

With work, Carter managed to increase her group's membership from 15 to 35 students. However, she worries what will happen to it once she graduates next spring.

The conference was planned during last April's Earth Day as a way to unify the movement, said CATALYST co-chair Jeremy

"The movement is definitely going," Hays said. "So far, most post-Earth Day campus efforts have consisted of recycling campaigns and efforts to rid schools of eating utensils made of polystyrene."

Such efforts suggest Earth Day did, in fact, have a long-term impact on students.

"I think it's still growing since Earth Day,"

Toor wants to use the conference to broaden the movement and set up ways for supporters in different parts of the country to coordinate

He'll also try to launch a "national corporate accountability campaign."

The campaign, he said, will use hardball tactics like boycotts, divestment campaigns and civil disobedience to influence big business policies.

Some recent student actions, however, created somewhat troublesome results.

- At the University of Maryland, a fraternity's aluminum can recycling contest prompted members of rival frats to try to win by stealing cans from a recycling center.

Another fraternity deposited 15 tons of newspaper at a recycling center during the middle of the night, so that workers had to dig through the dumped paper to get into the building the next morning.

Some post-Earth Day projects on

Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff, Ariz.) - Students have started a campuswide recycling project involving all offices,

Hendrix College (Conway, Ark.) - Students are seeking to eliminate polystyrene and disposable plastic products on campus.

St. Olaf College (Northfield, Minn.) -Studentshave undertaken amajortree-planting effort on the school's 30-acre conservation

Students launched a Waste Awareness Week to inform members of the Tufts community of how their lifestyles affect the environment.

Hawaii) - In an attempt to reduce the amount

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of polystyrene products, students established a "bring your own" policy in which collegiates pay less for coffee when using reusable mugs.

DeKalb College (Dunwoody, Ga.) — To depict the possible fate of the planet, students constructed a 10-foot model of the Earth using aluminum and canvas. The continents were made out of crushed aluminum cans and the poles were made of polystyrene.

Southwestern College (Winfield, Kan.) Students give presentations at public elementary schools, pass out "Just Say NO to Styrofoam" buttons and are conducting a campus environmental audit.

University of Puget Sound (Tacoma, Wash.) - Students are developing a comprehensive recycling plan, along with guidelines and cost analyses for implementing it.

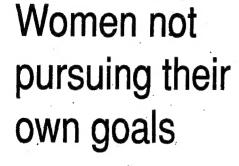
campuses around the country

dining halls and dormitories.

Tufts University (Medford, Mass.) -

University of Hawaii at Manoa (Honolulu,

CPS Cartoon Commentary



Many women abandon or subordinate their career goals in favor of their husband's or boyfriend's career, according to a recent survey by University of Colorado professor Margaret Eisenhart.

After surveying 350 women from two unnamed universities, Eisenhart regularly interviewed 23 of the women over a period of eight years. Although all 23 women started college with ambitions of becoming doctors, lawyers and diplomats, only five had full-time careers at the end of the study period, according to

Most of the other women had children and part-time jobs they didn't want, having sacrificed their plans in favor of their mate's careers, she said.

Eisenhart said women have fallen victim to "a sexual auction block where their attractiveness to men is continually being reviewed and ranked by their peers.

"It's a subtle peer system by which men and women are reproducing the status quo in gender relations."

However, some female college students disagree with Eisenhart and call her comments harsh.

Amy Egeland, an elementary education major at Central Washington University, asked

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"It's frustrating to know. that the only way people judge your self-worth is by whether you have a man wrapped around your shoulder."

- Tanya Cook

meet people?"

Egeland, who is engaged and will be putting her fiance through law school, said she thought both men and women face losses in a situation where both parties want to stay together and have careers.

However, other female college students agree with Eisenhart's findings.

"When I was engaged, I thought I would back down on my career until my boyfriend got his on

track," said Gina Fatout, a government major

at New Mexico State University who has since broken off her engagement.

"I think it happens a lot because of the way we (female college students) were raised," Fatout said.

Tanya Cook, a marketing major at Georgia State University, said when she began working in her school's college of education department, one of the first things she was asked was why she didn't have a boyfriend.

"It's frustrating to know that the only way people judge your self-worth is by whether you have a man wrapped around your shoulders," Cook said.

All three women said they knew women who had abandoned their career goals in favor of following a husband or boyfriend.

College

from College Press Service

Saving faces

Clarkson University in Potsdam, N.Y., the self-proclaimed first computerized campus, now lays claim to being the first to use high-tech computer graphics to identify stu-

To start the program, Clarkson copied and electronically saved the names, faces and ID numbers of the school's 600 new students as they lined up to get their student ID cards at the end of August.

The school then gave the computerized photos to each freshman's faculty adviser. Professors also may request a face list for any of their classes.

When a professor asks for a list, workers roll a portable videocassette recorder into the classroom at the beginning of the period. Each student is taped individually and the instructor can get the list before the end of the class period.

According to "face list" advocates at Clarkson, the technique allows instructors to call up the visages of their students at will and helps them get to know them faster.

"The idea is to make the school feel smaller, with all the resultant benefits," said Russell N. Nelson, a computer software development engineer at Clarkson.

However, the new "face list" also has aroused fears. Professors especially complained that the plans to create directories of students' and faculty members' names, addresses and faces would be an invasion of

"The Faculty Senate (also) was concerned that students would choose professors on the basis of appearance, such as gender and race," said Faculty Senate Secretary Jan Wojcik.

Wojcik also worried students might use other software programs to alter professors' appearances, such as removing hair, fixing noses, adding mustaches, or even creating dartboards out of the computerized pictures.

None of the students have complained about the project.

"If it makes it easier for the professors to remember us, I think it's okay, said student Glen DeBiasa. "I like to see the use of technology to make the lives of people easier, and I think this is a great idea."

Riot police's actions questioned

After breaking up a recent outdoor party along University of New Mexico's (UNM) fraternity row in Albuquerque, police drew criticism for seeming to concentrate their anti-riot efforts on the only black fraternity on the street.

Police used dogs to try to shove more than 20 members of the Alpha Phi Alpha chapter back through the house's front door, macing about 10 to 15 people, according to a member.

The party, however, was centered at an all-white fraternity, prompting UNM Black Student Union President Shihunwa Crum to call for campus police Chief Berry Cox's resignation.

U.S. Justice Department official Richard Sambrano said he would investigate the incident, adding, "there is an obvious racial problem at UNM."

college digest

compiled by Tim Rohwer

opinion

Those post-Earth Day blues

My, how quickly we forget.

The hype has subsided, the rallies are over and the trash is beginning to pile up again.

Earth Day 1990, which did so much to increase environmental awareness this spring, has faded into memory.

But according to a College Press Service story (check page 3 in today's Gateway), college students across the country are attempting to revive that environmental frenzy.

Recycling in Arizona, tree-planting in Minnesota, and eliminating some Styrofoam products in Hawaii were just part of the recent environmental activism on college campuses.

In fact, an environmental conference for

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college students will be held in October. This conference is designed to increase the environmental awareness that was lost over the sum-

That's great. But unfortunately, these and other "post-Earth Day" activities seem to be the exception to the rule.

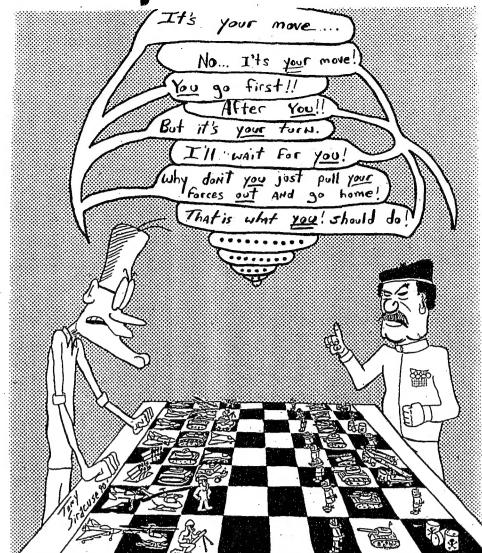
Not to say UNO students, or anyone in the United States for that matter, has not been working to save the environment.

But something is happening across the country, not just at UNO. The excitement, so prevalent during Earth Day, has died.

The excitement is replaced by the day-today doldrums of picking up trash, planting trees and carrying a personal mug to fast-food joints to avoid using Styrofoam cups.

That's not as quite as exciting as attending a rally in Central Park Mall with U.S. Sen. Bob Kerrey.

Even the Gateway, in its seven-page Earth Day extravaganza April 6, wrote an editorial about sticking with environmentalism when it is no longer considered "trendy."



Well, it's no longer trendy. But it's still

So what are you going to do?

- Suck pop from Styrofoam and toss it out the car, letting the "next generation" take care
- Wait for the next media-hyped Earth Day extravaganza?

 Or toil and sweat with less air conditioning, less Styrofoam and more recycling?

That's a question we can't answer by attending rallies.

We hate to nag, but Earth Day is over, and there's still a lot of hard, boring work to do.

Call it the post-Earth Day blues. It's a bummer, isn't it?

critically important.

It was perferct except for one snag...

We received something in our mail last week that created quite a stir in the Malone household. Usually, it's just the regular bills and an occasional letter, but on this particular

day, there was a special letter. It was addressed to Kelly Malone, our 13year-old, and it displayed the logo of the Miss National Teenager contest.

The letter informed contestants that they could win a trip to Orlando, Fla. and "fabulous" Waikiki Beach, Hawaii, just by filling out an application.

The Junior Division National Queen (ages 13-15) receives an all-expense-paid trip, including hotel accommodations for herself and a companion, during a one-week "teendream" vacation.

The winner also was offered travel, glamour, excitement and friends, plus scholarships and cash awards to the tune of \$5,000.

Even losing wouldn't be half bad with second- and third-place runner-ups each receiving \$500.

Columnist

Jennifer Malone

All things considered, it's not a shabby prize just for a night of making cutesy faces at the judges.

The brochure said judging would be based on scholastic achievement and leadership, poise and personality, and let's not forget the one third that goes toward appearance.

Kelly was bursting with excitement and began strutting runway style, sacheting those hips, batting those big, brown long-la eyes and flashing \$2,500 worth of dental work just like an old pro.

It all seemed so exciting - good times and new friendships.

Kelly's friends were all enthusiastic at the thought of being school chums with a prospective contestant for Miss National Teenager.

At the risk of sounding a tad biased, I have to say I think Kelly could win any competition hands down, especially when it comes to good looks and personality. The grades I'm not so sure about.

does great impersonations. And accomplishments? What about win-

Talent wouldn't be a problem, either. Kelly

ning a first-place gold medal at both the citywide and statewide kung fu competitions?

I really would love to see Hawaii and God knows I could use a vacation from school (assuming Kelly wins first place and chooses me to go along).

But there is this one, ever-so-small over-

Kelly is a 13-year-old, but what other conthey play quarterback on their school football

Say judges, does this slight technicality mean my son and I won't be going to Hawaii after all? I already picked out my new swimsuit and everything.

Remember, a Kelly by any other spelling is still a Kelly, but it doesn't necessarily make him a girl.

-Keli Anders Columnist

No dead flesh, please

I've got a bone to pick with all you carnivores out there who put down vegetarians.

What's your beef, anyway? Musteveryone find burnt beast flesh appetizing?

I think not. But apparently, I'm in the minority on this issue.

Speaking as an occasional veg, I know what it's like to sit among friends without part of a dead animal sprawled across my plate.

Let's say we're at a restaurant, like Bill's Boar Barn, for instance. Not an establishment known for its stupendous non-meat dishes, to be sure, but the place is darn popular.

A big-butted waitress, wearing a pin that reads, "Betty — take her please," stomps on over, shattering a water glass at a nearby table on the way.

Would anyone care for some sizzling sow today?" she asks, maneuvering gray chewing gum to the roof of her mouth to facilitate speech.

"Yeah, sounds great," cheers everyone but

I'll have something from the salad bar.

I've suddenly become E.F. Hutton. All eyes and ears are directed my way. The brat at the next table stops balling. Not a tooth chews. A pin drops.

"You mean you're not gonna have no meat?" Betty screeches. "Are you a vegetarian or somethin'?"

Yup. Something wrong with that?

"Well...we do specialize in meat," she mumbles. "I've heard about people like you. Strange."

Then there are the usual questions and comments, followed by my responses:

"Are you on a diet?"

What does choosing not to chow down on meat have to do with being on a diet? Meatless diets often contain more calories than those that include meat, bone head!

"Man, I'd starve to death!"

In your case, blubbo, I doubt it. Ever heard of an exercise called pushing food away from the table? Try it for six months and maybe you'll no longer have to shower at the car wash.

"Is it a religious thing?

I'm not a Hindu, if that's what you're getting at. I find cows neither sacred nor appetizing.

'What do you eat?"

Food, dumb shit!

"I don't feel like it's a meal without some meat on my plate!"

Well I do. And I'm tired of explaining or apologizing for it. I don't find the thought of sinking my teeth into someone else's leg, chest or butt a turn-on, and that's the way it is.

However, I do dig veggies. Eat and let eat,

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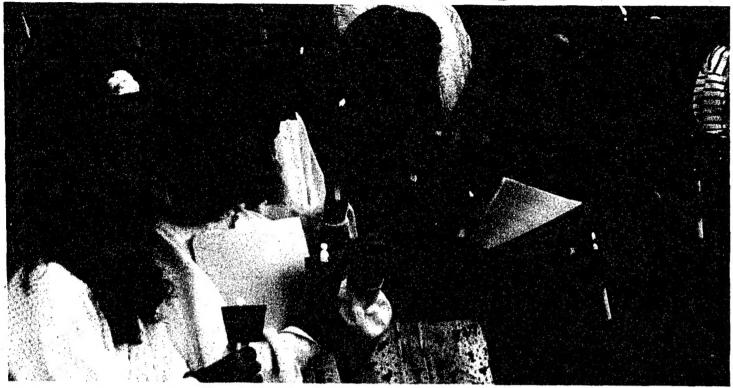
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Shining a light on children's rights



Youths carry the torch for children around the world at the RESULTS vigil Sunday at Boys Town.

- DAVE BAYARESCO

Candles burn in 80 countries for children shedding light on homelessness, death

BY STACIE HAWKES AND JAYNE KNAPP

President Bush said he wants to be the children's president. Ray Brown challenges him to fulfill that role.

Brown, a student at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, is a partner of RESULTS, a children's rights group that held a candlelight vigil Sunday at Boys Town.

This weekend RESULTS held 2,600 yigils simultaneously in 80 countries around the world. In the United States alone, 600 yigils were held Sunday, all aimed at creating awareness for children's needs. The yigils are a prelude to the World Summit for Children, which will be held Sept. 29-30 at the United Nations.

Brown said worldwide statistics underscore the need for children's rights.

The National Commission on Children reports that 40,000 children die each year from preventable deaths. Most of those children are under the age of 5.

Those statistics are not confined to developing countries. In a world of 145 nations, the United States ranks 21st in mortality rate for children under 5.

The commission states that in the United States, one of the richest countries in the world, 20 percent of its children live in poverty. An estimated 100,000 American children are homeless and nearly half a million children suffer from malnutrition.

Patrick Iversen, assistant professor of pharmacology at the Medical Center, called those statistics ridiculous and preventable.

One reason for these statistics, Iversen said, is that too many women in America are not getting the prenatal care they need.

"There is no reason innocent children should be subjected to those unnecessary health risks," said Iversen, who coordinated the vigil.

Iversen said RESULTS reached its goals of raising awareness for children's needs.

However, he said the time has come to raise more than awareness.

The opportunity has arrived, Iversen said, to provide children worldwide with their basic needs.

RESULTS (Responsibility for Ending Starvation Using Legislation, Trimtabbing, and Support) wants world leaders to realize that meeting those needs can start with small steps.

"On a very large ship, a very small piece of the rudder turns the whole ship," Brown said. "In RESULTS, we try to focus our energies and efforts to those small things that we can change in order to alter the course of very large issues such as starvation."



- DAVE BAVARESCO

"The '80s were not kind to children."

- Patrick Iversen

Brown said the group focuses on such issues as the Global Poverty Reduction Act and the Womens' and Infants' Supplemental Feeding Program. Also, the group has helped pass three hunger bills through Congress, Brown said.

RESULTS members also take on active roles in making sure their successes are carried through, Iversen said.

John Mata, president of Omaha's coalition for the homeless, joined the group in 1985. That same year Mata went to Honduras to check on funding for a project created by RESULTS through the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Iversen said what the volunteers found spurred an investigation by the United States into foreign aid funding.

"RESULTS sent a bunch of volunteers down to see what was going on and it basically caught them off guard. They found out 50 percent of the money had been inappropriately spent," Iversen said. He did not elaborate on how the money was spent.

Mata said the group's recognition in fighting for children's rights is spreading rapidly throughout the world.

Mata said one Soviet student attending the University of Iowa became acquainted with the group and took the idea home to the Soviet Union.

After a story about RESULTS was printed in the Soviet student's college paper, interest in the organization grew in the Soviet Union, Mata said. Soon after the article was printed, Soviet president Mikhail Gorbachev declared RESULTS to be the next generation of Soviet reform, Mata said.

Brown hopes all leaders, including President Bush, follow that lead and give the world's children top priority.

Where -Americastands

Facts and figures on children

Out of 145 countries, the United States:

- is 19th in the world in infant mortality, behind Hong Kong and Spain.
- is 21st in the world in childhood mortality (under age 5), behind Singapore.
- is 15th in infant immunization against polio, behind Hungary and Poland.
- is 49th in childhood immunization for black babies, behind overall rates in Botswana, Sri Lanka, and Albania.
- has the highest child poverty rate of eight industrialized nations studied.
- invests a smaller portion of its GNP (gross national product) in child health than 18 other industrialized nations.
- has the highest teen pregnancy rates among six industrialized nations studied.
- along with South Africa are the only industrialized nations that fail to provide universal health coverage and parental leave for families with children.

FROM CHILDREN 1990: A REPORT CARD, BRIEFING BOOK, AND ACTION PRIMER

YOU ARE NOT FORGOTIEN

Veterans' groups say war is not over until final prisoners return

BY KENT WALTON



The prisoner shivered as the chilly night wind snuck through the bamboo confines of his cage and penetrated the rags that hung from his skeletal frame.

The only signs of life that escaped the huddled figure were an occasional shiver and the clouded breath that hung from his cracked lips.

His daze was shattered temporarily by two Viet-

namese guards chattering and laughing just 10 feet away. After the guards passed, he returned to his dreams: dreams that returned him to a far-away place called home.

Although this scenario is fictional, it resembles many of the Vietnam War movies that became so popular in the 1980s.

A similar scene was acted out Saturday and Sunday at Anderson Field in Millard, but this time it was not for Hollywood cameras.

This reenactment was a vigil, organized by the Vietnam Veterans of America 279, in remembrance of the nearly 2,400 Americans who remain in Southeast Asia as Prisoners of War (POWs) or who are listed as Missing In Action (MIAs).

According to Jim Crabtree, a member of the organization and one of the vigil's organizers, the main purpose of the display was to draw attention to the POW/MIA issue, an issue that he claims has been neglected since the American withdrawal from the region in 1975.

"There was a mindset by the American government to close the POW issue off," Crabtree said. "Our government knows that there are some alive. What we hope to accomplish is to increase the public's knowledge of the issue."

In order to catch the attention of people passing the Anderson Field, a bamboo and barbed-wire cage was placed near Q Street. Volunteers manned the cage in shifts during the 48-hour vigil.

Crabtree said the main reason for American ignorance regarding POWs and MIAs is the withholding of intelligence information regarding their existence.

In an April 1989 edition of the *Thai Rath*, the largest newspaper in Thailand, a Thai reporter documented an announcement by the Vietnamese government on Hanoi radio that it was holding 21 United States servicemen as prisoners. The U.S. Information Agency refused to release any information regarding the announcement to the American media, according to Bo Gritz, an American involved in the search for POWs living in Southeast Asia.

Crabtree said he feels that if the Vietnamese government is willing to admit to holding 21 prisoners, it's probably holding more.

One reason for the U.S. government's silence regarding POWs and MIAs is the mistakes made during the Vietnam War, according to Tom Harper, treasurer of UNO's Pen and Sword Society — an organization for student veterans.

"They want to sweep it under the rug," Harper said. "It is still a very painful issue for them."

American politicians intentionally avoid stating their views on the issue, according to Crabtree, because there are no specific solutions to the problem.

"It is too hot of an issue for them (politicians) to handle," Crabtree said. "If you were to ask them what they were going to do about it, you should get ready to break out the top hats and the canes, because they will tap dance right around the topic."

The lack of negotiation between the U.S. and Indochinese governments is one of the largest obstacles impeding U.S.—Southeast Asian relations, according to Harper.

"If time passes, we may normalize relations with Vietnam," Harper said, "And we could normalize relations with them if they would just give us our people back."

Harper said he was disappointed with the results of U.S. Sen. Bob Kerrey's visit to Vietnam last spring.

"We missed out on a real opportunity when Kerrey was over there," Harper said.

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However, Crabtree said he doubts that one senator's visit to Vietnam could make a considerable difference.

"I really find it difficult to believe that one single political figure, who does not have any negotiating power, could be effective," Crabtree said. "What could he solve?"

Crabtree said it will take a collective effort by citizens and the government to return the remaining prisoners — or their remains — to the U.S.

"It is going to take people like you and me dictating to the government, telling people like Sen. Kerrey that we don't care how many trips he takes to Vietnam. We will not normalize relations until they are returned."

Crabtree said many Vietnam vets spoke out about the POWs when they returned, because many people still held a great deal of contempt for the war and because they felt the U.S. government was withholding the truth.

"The Vietnam vets were told a lot of lies by the government, like Agent Orange was not harmful," Crabtree said. "But just ask any politician if he wants to be sprayed with Agent Orange."

However, Crabtree said attitudes are beginning to improve. Public awareness has resulted in increased federal government actions and the establishment of a national POW/MIA Awareness Day on the third Friday of September, according to Crabtree.

UNO's Pen and Sword was granted permission by Gov. Orr to raise the POW/MIA flag on campus in recognition of Awareness Day,

Crabtree said any event that increases the public's knowledge about the problem will bring the prisoner's one step closer to home.

"Without things like this, how are the people going to know?" Crabtree said. "They are not going to get anything from the government, that's for sure."

Roskens returns to Rotary

He came back, and this time there was no nightmare.

Ronald Roskens, former president of the University of Nebraska system, returned to Omaha Friday to tell the West Omaha Rotary Club about his new position as director of the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID.)

In July 1989, the NU Board of Regents removed Roskens from the NU presidency. He was appointed AID director this spring.

Roskens said he was glad to return to Nebraska, and also glad to avoid the controversy surrounding his last speech to the Rotary Club.

"Friends, I am glad to be back in your midst again," Roskens said to the Rotary Club during his speech. "I think I have improved somewhat in my speaking ability since then."

Improved, Roskens said, because he did not make any jokes about the NU Board of Regents.

Last December, during a speech to the Rotary Club, Roskens joked about a "nightmare" he experienced. During this nightmare, Roskens said, the Devil told him he had been appointed president of "Hell University," but he would have to deal with "two board of regents."

The joke upset some of the regents, because both the regents and Roskens had agreed not to discuss his removal from the presidency.

So Roskens confined Friday's speech topic to AID and its goals.

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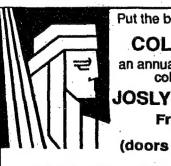


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letters to the editor

'2 percent solution' will not repeal LB 1059

I applaud the Gateway's treatment of Ballot Measure 405, or the "2 Percent Solution," on Friday's Opinion page. The pro and con format generally is a useful device to help readers clarify their own thoughts on a given issue.

In this case, I believe one of your respondents began with an incorrect premise that could have the effect of misleading your readers. Omaha Star publisher Marguerita Washington says, "If passed by the voters, it (the proposed constitutional amendment) will repeal Legislative Bill 1059."

That is incorrect. On the one hand, considerations of tax-based revenue, public school financing and other state and local policies enter into both decisions facing voters on Nov. 6. But Ballot Measure 405 and reconsideration of LB 1059 are not tied together. A decision on one carries no automatic influence on the other.

I believe most members of the University community will appreciate a thorough examination of Ballot Measure 405 and its potential impact on students, staff members and their fellow citizens. The Gateway has been helpful to keep separate personal opinion and good reporting.

Lou Cartier Director, University Relations

'Quit bitching like a 5-year-old'

- I would like to take this opportunity to address some of the comments made by Mike McLaurin at the Sept. 13 Student Senate meeting. Having been a student senator some four years ago, I feel qualified to comment on some of his remarks.

First, Mr. McLaurin remarked that the Student Senate is ineffective and elitist. This is true if, and only if, the individuals that comprise the senate are unresourceful, self-serving and lacking imagination. If that is the case, I feel sorry for us all. But in my experience with the senate, that is the exception and not the rule. Ask the parents of the 60 odd children in the UNO Child Care Center if Student Government is ineffective.

Frustration is a natural part of Student Government. If I had a dime for every time I got sick of the bureaucratic red tape, I'd be sunning myself in Jamaica right now. I also take exception to McLaurin's idea that the only purpose for Student Government is to "rock the boat." You can accomplish constructive purposes without butting heads with the administration all the time. But, if you feel compelled, row yourself out in the middle of the Missouri River and rock away.

I have known Chief Administrative Officer Alison Brown-Corson and Senate Speaker Mary Reynolds for a number of years now. I have often disagreed with them on a wide range of topics, but never have I questioned

their honesty, integrity or dedication to the student body. I find it curiously interesting that the ones that bitch the loudest about political back-stabbing are the same ones that stand around with blood-stained knives in one hand. That is a historical observation.

Now that you know my opinion of Student Government, let me give you a piece of advice. Mr. McLaurin. If you don't like the Student Senate, resign your seat so that someone else may do something constructive. If you still want your senate seat, quit bitching and whining like a 5-year-old school girl and do something about it.

Paul L. Hays College of Arts and Sciences

Be considerate, non-smokers

Hello. I smoke cigarettes. I realize that I am in a minority.

UNO has made most buildings "nonsmoking" facilities. I am a responsible citizen. I can live with that rule, in consideration of fellow students who do not smoke.

Ashtrays have been provided for smokers to extinguish our evil weeds prior to entering the non-smoking facilities. Unfortunately, those ashtrays are filled with garbage by lazy, non-smoking students.

My choices when I come up to an ashtray

outside of a building at UNO is to either toss my finished cigarette on the ground, or start a fire with my cigarette from all the candy bar wrappers, etc. in it. Chances are if I aim for the ashtray, it'll bounce off a pop can anyway and fall on the ground.

Now here's my problem: If I throw the cigarette on the ground, I will be considered a "disgusting smoker with a disgusting habit" because I throw my finished cigarette around with no regard to the environment or UNO. If I am responsible, and put out my cigarette in the half—eaten yogurt (or banana peel) in the ashtray, I will be considered a "disgusting smoker with a disgusting habit" because a cigarette half-buried in a mass of yogurt is not a pretty sight.

Hey, I'm a reasonable guy. I will be considerate to you, Mr. Non-Smoker, by not smoking in the UNO buildings. But you back me into a corner when you throw your garbage in the receptacle I'm supposed to extinguish my cigarette in. It isn't like there is not a trash can available. The trash can is located INSIDE the buildings. Maybe 5 extra feet in most cases.

So, if you are a student that likes throw their trash away in the ashtrays outside of buildings, be forewarned. Your lack of consideration will eventually be met by mine in these smokeless buildings.

I'll start in the bathrooms. Then I'll move to lighting up in the hallways. Next, I fire one up in the classroom....

Dan Kenny Student

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Lady Mavs dominate Doane, even record

By BECKY SEKYRA

The UNO volleyball team proved too strong for Doane Friday night.

The Lady Mavs mashed Doane 15-5, 15-5, 15-8 at York, Neb., im-

proving their record to 7-7. One reason for the lopsided score, UNO Coach Rose Shires said, was that

the Lady Mavs. "Doane didn't really have a good night," Shires said. "We played a really good match and intimidated Doane."

And UNO did not make the mistake of playing down to the level of its opponent, Shires said.

"We played a Doane was intimidated by really good match

- Rose Shires

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Shires continued. "We didn't play at the level of our competition."

Senior Brenda Baumann played an outstanding game in her hometown of York, Shires said. Baumann recorded 15 kill-spikes against

In addition to Baumann, two outside hitters, senior Amy Gradoville and junior Karen Soukup, added to Baumann's numbers with 14 and 7 kills, respectively.

In addition to battling Doane, the Lady Mavs also faced the UNO volleyball alumnae in an exhibition match at UNO Saturday. While the Lady Mavs lost to the alumnae, the match was enjoyable, Shires said.

"The alumnae had a great "The team (Doane) played at our level," time. This makes it about nine years that they

have beat UNO. The alumnae doesn't really get a chance to play a lot, so they were excited about playing," she said.

The Lady Mavs venture to Grand Forks to clash with North Dakota Wednesday and then Fargo to face North Dakota State, ranked No. 4 in Division II. Thursday.

Shires said UNO faces a tough task in both

"I feel North Dakota is underrated," Shires said. "Last year they finished strong and are building on what they had last year."

Last season, North Dakota State became somewhat of a nemesis for the Lady Mavs. The Bison trampled UNO's hopes then, eliminating the Lady Mavs from post-season play.

"The game is up for grabs. We can come out on top if we are on top of our game and we don't make errors," Shires said.

Jock Journal

by Dave Dufek

Who thinks these up?

The other night, I was watching world championship axe throwing on ESPN when the station cut away from the gripping excitement to a Nike commercial.

Which got me wondering. Where do they get the people who think of these athletic commercials, anyway?

"Just do it," the advertisement read.

"Just do what?" I asked.

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"Oh. Of course."

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Of course, there's a product for everyone. For basketball fans, there's the shockinglynamed PUMP shoe.

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"Coach — I can't run anymore. My feet hurt."

"Be a man."

"But coach, my feet are all blue and purple." For dressier occasions, you might try 'Adidas cologne — it smells like sport." But who wants a cologne that smells like a combination of body odor, blood and the inside of your PUMP's?

Sports Illustrated has found a new way to attract the many intellectual readers they would like to have reading their magazine. They're offering (drumroll) THE SNEAKERPHONE!! When I saw that, I rushed to the phone and ordered a three-year subscription because I just had to have a second-rate phone that looked like one of those PUMP's. I mean, that phone has to be worth at least two or three dollars.

Then there's underwear commercials.

According to Joe Montana, at the end of a hard game, the "first thing he wants to do is get into his underwear". Well, that makes sense. I would hope that's the first thing he puts on if he tried to put it on after his jeans, he'd run into problems. The mistake he makes is he puts on these ugly, blue, raggedy Hanes things and jumps around on his couch and then his bed. Maybe he has been hit too hard one too many times.

Oh well, ESPN's coverage of axe throwing is finished. Time to sit back, relax, and watch the professional ice fishing tour.

UNO's other 'football' team

BY ERIC WILHELMJ

After a slow start on wet turf, the UNO men's soccer team roared back in the second half with four goals to defeat Columbus 4-0 Thursday night.

UNO's second-half surge at Al Caniglia Field came once the team adjusted to the slippery turf, according to Pete Kassey-Farkas, coach of the UNO soccer club.

"Having wet turf, it was kind of hard to play our game," Kassey-Farkas said. "The ball skids on the turf, passes go too far, you can't adjust to the bounce -it took awhile to score."

Alan Prismantis' goal ended UNO's scoring drought 10 minutes into the second half. Prismantis also contributed to UNO's second goal, recording an assist on a goal by UNO team captain Mark Floersch.

UNO's third goal came as Dean Leisman kicked in Brent Martin's pass in the fourth quarter. Just minutes later, Prismantis completed the scoring with a goal from 30 yards out.

After Thursday's win, UNO traveled to Kansas and finished 1-2 in the Jayhawk classic on Saturday. UNO beat Kansas and then lost to Iowa and Missouri, making the Maverick club's season record 6-5.

However, Kassay-Farkas said UNO's record does not represent the club's talent.

"The all-around talent at all positions is much better than it has been in the past," he said. "One player (Kevin Lang) played five positions today."

He said this was the most improvement he has seen in 17 years of coaching Maverick club soccer.

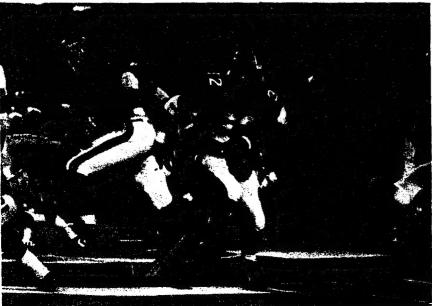
"Most of the kids are local talent and this gives them a good opportunity to play soccer while being full-time students," he said. "They have a lot of experience from the local leagues."



- DAVE BAVARESCO

Brian Carnaby chases Steve Sypai during an intramural flag football game in the Pep Bowi Sunday.

Mavs get kicked to death by Morningside



- DAVE BAVARESCO

UNO I-back LaRon Henderson, No. 32, moves the ball against Morningside.

BY DAVE DUFEK

Morningside College was undefeated heading into Saturday's contest with the UNO Mavs.

The Chiefs kept it that way, improving to 4-0 and 2-0 in the North Central Conference (NCC) after a 15-7 defeat of the Mavericks.

Morningside piled up 345 yards of total offense, compared to the Mavs' 181, but the Chiefs didn't step into the UNO end zone once. Morningside'skickers went 5-for-6 in field goals, good for their 15 points.

"The kids played hard," UNO Coach Tom Mueller said of the Mavericks' performance. "Obviously, the object is to win games, though."

However, Mueller said UNO experienced enough lapses to let that hard play result in a loss.

"I thought we played hard on defense, but we still let them down there. We normally let them

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Interceptions and field goals deal fatal blow to Mavs

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come up with some kind of big play to put them in field-goal range.

"We've got to find some way to keep them (the opponents) out of field-goal range, Mueller continued, "and we had some opportunities to do that Saturday night."

UNO's only score was a 32-yard pass from Paul Cech to Victor Barnes in the second quarter — capping a 65-yard drive. Antonio Marino's extra point put the Mavs up 7-6 at

"Offensively, I thought we did some pretty good things the first half," Mueller said. "We really had a confident bunch of people at halftime."

But second-quarter lapses hurt the Mavs, he said.

"We've still got that tendancy to come up with the bad play that puts us in some problems," Muellersaid. "Most of the night, we still had an opportunity to win. It had to be a good game to

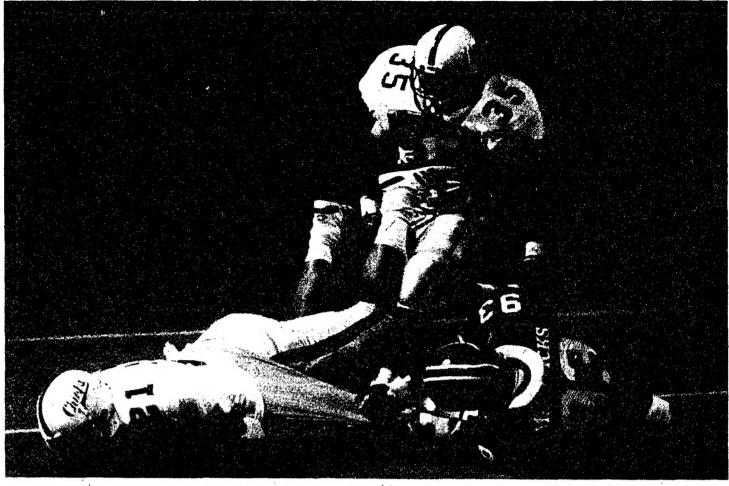
UNO saw its 7-6 lead dissolve after a Morningside 37-yard field goal with 10:55 left, followed by a 32-yarder with 4:16 remaining in the third quarter.

With 4:54 left in the game, Morningside sealed the scoring with another 32-yard field goal.

UNO senior I-back LaRon Henderson was the game's leading rusher with 91 yards. Victor Barnes caught four passes for 49 yards and one touchdown to lead the game in pass receiv-

The Mavs' junior quarterback, Paul Cech, was 7-for-22 passing with 71 yards - including a touchdown — and six interceptions.

'I still felt that we could've—and probably should've beat them," Mueller said. "They were just much more physical offensively the



- DAVE BAVARESCO

Morningside defenders making the stop against UNO Saturday

"I don't think on any given play we get 11people going hard on offense. Defensively, we have to continue to get better. We have to keep playing hard."

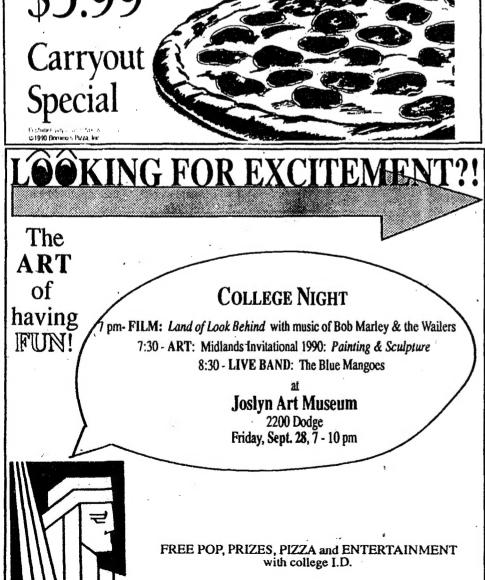
Morningside had possession of the ball for 34:38, compared to the Mavs' 25:22. The Chiefs racked up 95 yards in penalties and UNO had 60 yards due to yellow flags.

Going into Saturday's game, the Chiefs were ranked No. 16 in the NCAA Division II football poll.

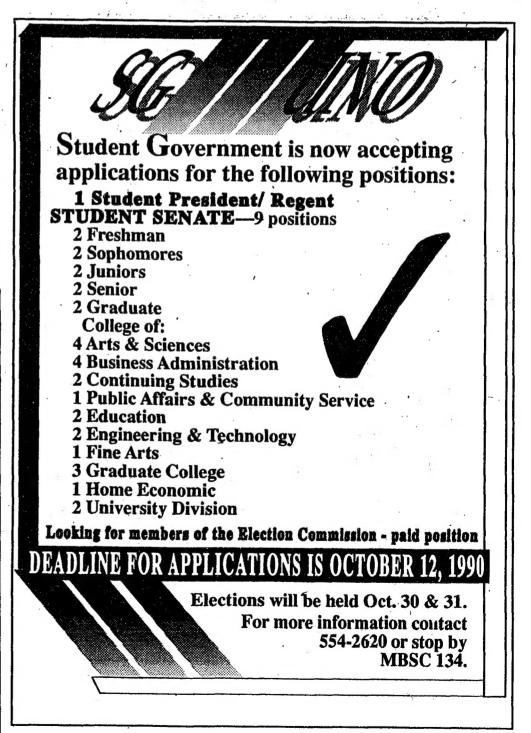
"They're playing very well right now," Mueller said. "They made plays offensively and defensively that were very good athletic plays. They set the tempo (in the second half)."

UNO is 2-2 overall and 1-1 in the NCC. The Mavericks will travel to Sioux Falls, S.D. Saturday to take on Augustana College. Augustana is 2-0 in the NCC.





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Chief of Special Tactics, Dick "Ironguts" Kelly had this to say, "The whole problem stems from these I.D.s, I think they should be banned." Student activist Luyke Skywriter responded, "No way, Dick!" Regardless, the crisis will come to an abrupt end on September 30th when the offer expires. University officials could not be reached for comment, as they were on vacation in Maine and did not think the situation warranted their return.

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Roskens lists AID goals

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countries worldwide, AID accomplishes more than just doling out money, Roskens said.

"The analogy of a bucket with a ladle passing out money is a gross misunderstanding of what we do," he said.

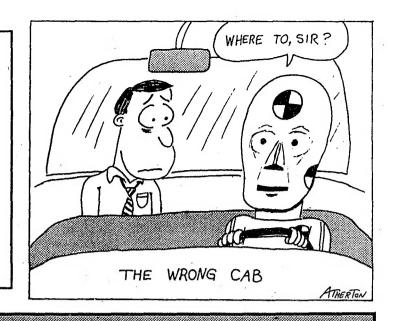
The agency hopes to accomplish several goals in the 1990s, Roskens said.

- Promote democratic governments across the globe. "For example, there is a need for constitutional lawyers in Poland and Hungary," he said.
- Humanitarian obligations, such as health care and nutritional education. "That is still a very big part of what we do," he said.
- Support for conservation. "That has become very, very important," Roskens said.
- Targeting global threats that ignore national boundaries, such as the disease AIDS. "AIDS is really devastating some of the African countries.'
- Investigation and mitigation of natural

Hopefully, Roskens said, these goals will help AID keep up with a changing world and keep helping developing nations in need.

"It is a different world," he said. "If you look around you, there are many nations that are 180 degrees different from 10 years ago."





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